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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT
A.P. STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

1st Floor, New HODs Building, M.G. Road, Vijayawada-520010.

NOTIFICATION

No. 30/SEC-B2/2021**Date:14.02.2021**

WHEREAS, the State Election Commission issued Notifications on 23.01.2021, 25.01.2021 and 28.01.2021 for conduct of Ordinary Elections to Gram Panchayats in the State in 4 Phases;

AND WHEREAS, the State Election Commission increased the hours of polling and notified the polling time from 6.30 AM to 3.30 PM to observe precautions/measures like social distancing, etc., due to COVID pandemic situation;

AND WHEREAS, the Collector and District Election Authority, West Godavari District vide Lr.No.A1/e-1833676/2021, dated 13.02.2021 requested the Commission to fix the closing time of poll at 1.30 PM, instead of 3:30 PM on 17.02.2021 in respect of (32) Gram Panchayats covered in (5) Mandals indicated below for the reasons mentioned against them.

Sl. No.	Revenue Division	Mandal	Gram Panchayat	Reasons
1	2	3	4	5
1	Kukkunoor	Kukkunoor	All 15 Gram Panchayats	Left Wing Extremist affected.
2	Kukkunoor	Velairpadu	All 9 Gram Panchayats	Left Wing Extremist affected.
3	Jangareddigudem	Jeelugumilli	1. Ankannagudem	Left Wing Extremist affected.
4	Jangareddigudem	Buttayagudem	1. Aliveru 2. Korsavarigudem 3. Puli Ramudugudem	These are the inaccessible villages along with the hamlets having difficult to reach the Polling staff / polling material to the counting centers within time on par with other villages.
5	Jangareddigudem	Polavaram	1. Kondurkota 2. Thutigunta 3. Chegondapalli 4. Koruturu	
Total			32 Gram Panchayats	

AND WHEREAS, the State Election Commission after careful examination of the matter, decided to fix the closing time of poll at 1.30 PM, instead of 3.30 PM, in respect of the above 32 Gram Panchayats scheduled for polling on 17.02.2021 in Phase-III for the reasons shown against them;

NOW, THEREFORE, the State Election Commission, in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 243K of the Constitution of India, Sec.200(1), Sec.201-A(1), sub-sec.(2) of Sec.13 and sub-sec.(2) of Sec.14 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 (Act 13 of 1994), hereby, changes the closing time of poll from 3:30 PM to 1:30 PM in respect of 32 Gram Panchayats (all 15 Gram Panchayats of Kukunoor Mandal and all 9 Gram Panchayats of Velairpadu Mandal in Kukunoor Revenue Division; one Gram Panchayat of Jeelugumilli, 3 Gram Panchayats of Buttayagudem and 4 Gram Panchayats of Polavaram Mandal in Jangareddigudem Revenue Division), scheduled for polling in Phase-III on 17.02.2021 for inaccessibility/security reasons expressed by the Collector & District Election Authority, West Godavari. As a consequence thereof, the State Election Commission re-notifies the following schedule for polling and other subsequent activities in respect of the above-mentioned (32) Gram Panchayats.

1.	Conduct of Poll	17.02.2021 (From 6.30 AM to 1.30 PM)
2.	Counting of Votes	17.02.2021 (From 2.00 PM onwards)
3.	Declaration of Results	Soon after the completion of counting of votes
4.	(a) Date of conduct of election of Upa-Sarpanch under Section 14 (10) of A.P. Panchayat Raj, 1994.	On the same date on which results are declared.
	(b) If for any reason, the election of Upa-Sarpanch is not held on the date aforesaid, it shall be held on the next day, whether or not it is a holiday observed by the Gram Panchayat.	

Wide publicity shall be given in the polling areas concerned in order to ensure that the change in closing time of poll and other subsequent activities are known to the voters and contesting candidates concerned.

Vijayawada,
14.2.2021

Dr. N.Ramesh Kumar
State Election Commissioner
